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Nov 3—2wif (k)

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ony, will consult their interest by giving me call, and examine for themselves.

C. WEIRMAN,
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Oct 12\*

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livered in the city of Washington.

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and children, Physiology, Materia Medica, Principles and Practice of Medicine, Microscopical
Anatomy, Chemistry, and the more important
parts of medical jurisprudence.

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The course, being confined solely to examina will continue daily, and will close the latter

Suitable illustrations, by means of preparations specimens, instruments, etc., will be afforded duwilliam H. Saunders, M. D.,

Demonstrator of Anatomy in the National Medical College. ALEXANDER J. SEMMES, M. D., Physician to the United States Jail.
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Washington, Oct. 2, 1953-2awtD1 Intelligencer.)

ALEXANDRIA AND WASHINGTON THE THOMAS COLLYER will

leave the regular steamboat wharf. The coach leaves the Capitol at 8, 92, 114, 11, 32, Leaves Alexandria at 8, 92, 114, 14, 34, and 42 Leaves Washington at 9, 103, 121, 21, 4, and 51

The George Washington and Collyer can be had for Pleasure Trips; also for towing. Nov. 2-61\* SAM'L GEDNEY, Cap'n.

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Hon. J. J. Allen, Hon. Wm. Daniel, Hon. Richard Moncure, Hon. G. B. Samuels, Hon. G. H. Lee, of the Court of Appeals of Virginia.

To the Judges of the Circuit Courts of Virginia

To the senators and members of Congress from Virginia. Sep 21—1veod.

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A GENCY AT WASHINGTON.—To Claimants.—FRANCIS A. DICKINS con-tinues to undertake the agency of claims before Congress and other branches of the government, Congress and other branches of the government, including commissioners under treaties, and the various public offices. He will attend to pre emption and other land claims, the procuring of patents for the public lands, and procuring scrip for Virginia bounty land warrants, and the confirmation by Congress of grants and claims to lands, claims for property lost in or taken for the service of the United States; property destroyed by the Indians, or while in the possession of the United States; invalid, revolutionary, navy, widows', and half-pay pensions; claims for revolutionary services, whether for commutation, half-pay, or bounty lands; also, claims for extra and back pay, &c., of soldiers, sailors and marines; as well those Ac., of soldiers, sailors and marines; as well those against the State of Virginia, as the United States all claims, growing out of contracts with the government, for damages sustained in consequence of the aciton or conduct of the government; and, indeed, any business before Congressorthe public of-flices which may require the aid of an agent or attor-ney. His charges will be moderate, and depend-ing upon the amount of the claim and the extent of the service.

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Hon. Jesses C. Dobbin, Secretary of War. Hon. James C. Dobbin, Secretary of the Navy. Nicholas Callan, President Board Common General John M. McCalla, Attorney at Law.

James H. Caustin. W. C. Riddell, State Department. Office on F street, immediately opposite Winder Building, Washington, D. C. Sep 28—6mod&w.

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DOR RENT, the Building now being finished on the northeast corner of 7th street and

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The first floor has been constructed for a Bank. ing Establishment, of marble, with vaults, &c., and two stores on 7th street. The basement is contructed to embrace all the modern convenience vaults for coal, oysters, provisions, &c. The restau-rant communicates, both from in and out doors, with rant communicates, both from in and out doors, with the second story, which is composed of four rooms, communicating through ample folding-doors, for the accommodation of either large or small private parties. Should the second story not be taken in connexion with the restaurant, the rooms will be rented for offices. The third story embraces near-ly the whole extent of the building, and is well ly the whole extent of the building, and is well adapted for a commodious billiard-room for three tables. The fourth story embraces the whole extent of the building, and is well adapted for a printing room or amory, and, if not rented, will be reserved for a meeting and exhibition room. Gas and water and all the modern improvements have been introduced on each floor of this building, and its resistion, situated in the very heart of the most its position, situated in the very heart of the most business portion of Washington, must ensure large profits to competent tenants.

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DURNISHED PARLORS AND CHAMbers for rent on Pennsylvania avenue, south side, betwean 6th and 7th streets, the fourth house from 6th street, opposite Brown's Hotel. Apply to Mrs. D. E. Groux.

Also, a small store at the above place.

Nov. 9—eolm\*

A CONGRESSIONAL MESS of Eight or ten can be accommodated with rooms and board at MRS. GILBERT'S, on Pennsylvania avenue, between First and Second streets, opposite the government green-house, Washington city, D. C. Nov. 3—cotf. WANTED, by a Member of Congress, a

W comfortable sitting-room and bed room, with board, in the house of a private family of respectability. Possession required about the 20th inst. Address, with terms and other particulars, "NAS-SAU," at this office.

FOR RENT.—I have three fine rooms over my store, which I will rent very reasonable. They are large and airy, and the location desira-able, as it is nearly an equal distance from all the public departments. C. R. BYRNE, Grocer, Southeast cor. 10th st. and avenue.

# Miscellaneous.

NOTICE.—We shall apply to the Commissioner of the General Land Office of the United States for Scrip, under the Act of Congress of August 31st, 1852, on a Land Warraut, (No. 123,) issued from the Land Office of Virginia, Feb. 12th, 1783, to John Hardyman, for his services as a Lieutenant of the Virginia State Line, in the War of the Revolution, which said Land Warraut has never been located or otherwise satisfied. never been located or otherwise satisfied. SAMPSON JONES, Jr.,

and other heirs of JOHN HARDYMAN, dec'd.

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Bank, insurance, mining, railroad, government, State, and city securities bought and sold.

Promissory notes, bills of exchange, and loans accordinged. negotiated. Sep 21—dtf EMANUEL B. HART.

TO EDITORS AND PERSONS having business at the seat of government .- The un dersigned are now making arrangements to establish in the city of Washington "A National Correspondence Office," for the purpose of supplying editors throughout the country with the earliest and most important news from the national metropolis.

They have just closed arrangements with two

They have just closed arrangements with two of the most expert stenographers in the Union to furnish them daily reports of the proceedings and doings in Congress, from which they will collate and prepare terse and piquant sketches that must prove interesting to the geseral reader.

Our correspondence will embrace every subject interesting to the public, and, as we are not the forces of the public will be emblad to

"organ" of any party, we shall be enabled to gratify the wishes of all who may desire our ser-We have the very best acilities for obtaining the most reliable information from the different departments of the government at Washington.

departments of the government at Washington. All persons having pension or other claims upon the general government will promote their interests by corresponding with us before employing agents at Washington.

Terms such as to justify every country editor throughout the Union to keep his readers well posted upon all matters of interest transpiring at Washington, whilst the large dailies will find it to their advantage to open with us a correspondence
JCHN C. BOWYER,
H. C. McLAUGHLIN.

A CARD.—SAMUEL W. TUCKER, Mer-chant Tailor, would respectfully announce to his patrons and friends that he has removed from his late place of business, and will for th present receive business calls at the store of Mi Evan Hughes, corner of 13th street and Ponnsyl

He is pleased to announce to his customers that the stock of goods to which he now invites their Nov. 8-3teod3w

MANTELS, IRON RAILINGS, AND Spring Mattresses. The Mantels are a new, cheap, and beautiful article, manufactured upon stone, in imitation of the richest Marbles, of the most rare and desirable kinds. In style and finish they stand unequalled, and are not injured by coal, the north they are begas, smoke, or acids. At the north they are be coming extensively used, and give perfect satis

Builders and others wishing to purchase are re quested to call and examine for themselves.

Also, Pier Slabs to match the Mantels, of the ame materials.

same materials.

Iron Cemetery and other Fencing and Railings
Will be kept constantly on hand, a variety o
patterns, for which orders will be received and romptly executed. Premium Spring Mattresses, a new article, fa

superior to anything of the kind now in use. R. HASKINS, Agent, Penn. avenue, south side, near 10th street.

NOTICE TO U. S. MAIL CONTRACTORS AND THE PUBLIC. AUDITOR'S OFFICE, POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT,

TT HAS LONG BEEN THE PRACTICE of this office to pay the drafts drawn and nego-tiated by contractors for carrying the United States mails, for the amounts, respectively, of their quarterly pay. It was established to accommodate the contractors, and meet their necessities, in advance of the regular and slower process of payadvance of the regular and slower process of paying by the drafts or warrants of the department, and was intended only to apply to one draft per route from each contractor for the whole amount, (deducting fines, collections, &c.,) of his quarterly pay; but it has been, and is quite generally so a to be supposed to allow any pay; but it has been, and is quite generally so misunderstood, as to be supposed to allow any number of drafts, and for any amount, not exceed-ing in the aggregate, the contract pay for the quar-ter. A privilege conceded for accommodation (for it was never anything more) has thus been made to embarrass materially the business of this office, forced upon it the settlement of the private acto embarrass materially the business of this office, forced upon it the settlement of the private accounts of contractors, and thrown upon the exchanges of the country, with a quasi sanction of this office, a species of paper currency unauthor-

this office, a species of paper currency unauthorized by the laws.

It not unfrequently occurs, too, that this office is exposed to great and unnecessary risk in determining upon the genuineness of the signatures to the assignments or endorsements of the various persons through whose hands these drafts are made to pass before their presentation.

It is therefore deemed proper to give this public notice to contractors, and all concerned, that from and after the 1st day of January, 1854, but one draft for the pay upon each route per quarter will be payed, or filed for payment, in this office. This draft should state upon its face, that it is the only one for the quarter and the route (both to be specified) on which it is drawn; and the signature thereto should be attested by the postmaster at the place where it may be drawn, and one other veitness; and each assignment thereof should be attested by two each assignment thereof should be attested by two

WM F PHILLIPS Auditor of the Treasury for the P. O Department

### Mashington Sentinel.

We select the following interesting story of river life from the popular volume of F. W. Thomas, esq., (author of "Clinton Bradshaw,") entitled "John Randolph, of Roanoke, and other sketches of character, including William Wirt, together with tales of real life." It is published by A. Hart, of Philadelphia, and printed with much neatness.

"OLD KENTUCK." A TRUE STORY.

"Oh! Kentucky, The hunters of Kentucky."—Western Song.

Some years since I left Pittsburg in a firstrate steamer, on my way to New Orleans. I was bound up on a rare trip of pleasure, and, full of health and the excitement consequent upon it, was alive to every scene around and every character about me. And the characters upon our western waters, fifteen years ago, had more character in them; just as the scenes around one had more of nature in them than now, in-as much as art had not displayed as much of her power there as she has since; a power which, with enlightened laws and republican institutions, is destined, as I believe, to make the west the mode land of the world.

One day, I think it was the day after we left Pittsburg, we saw a white man, with a black boy beside him, evidently designing to take passage, as the boy was waving, with might and main, a large handkerchief on the end of stick. Impatient that the steamboat, by her movements, indicated no notice, on the part of her officers, of the signal aforesaid, the white man took the stick, which proved to be a ramroad, from the hand of the negro, and, leaning on a rifle which he held in his hand, waved it, with a good deal of emphasis in his manner, while we could hear his stentorian voice (i was indeed stentorian, to reach us at that distance,) exclaiming—"Hello!"
"Hello!" replied a voice from the upper deck

of our steamer, the Fort Adams.

"It's Samson," exclaimed the captain, who was standing on the guards beside a crowd of us; "round to." No sooner said than done. As the boat approached the parties, Samson exclaimed— Why, you are blind as a horse-blanket blind as your boat. I don't stand so low that you can't see me, do I? I! I stand six feet our inches in my stocking feet, and I waved this handkerchief as many feet over my head

"Who do you think is looking out for you from the wheelhouse?" replied the pilot. "You're big enough to look out for yourself, and you're big enough to be a snag, old fellow—but I'd rather see you on the shore than in the river. But I am keeping a sharp lookout ahead, here—we hit a snag somewhere about here last time. How would you like to hire out to Uncle Sam for a light-house? A little more liquor and your face would go without

any other light."

"Ha, Rogers, is that you, you thief, you?
That's a Joe Miller—you stole it from old Falstaff in the play, about that chap whose nose lit him up the hill at night. I hope you don't extend your thieveries to other matters." no thievery, Kentuck," replied Rogers, "it's only like a parson's text, which any-

"Yes," replied old Kentuck, as he was called, "you'll have a bee line drawed upon you some of these days, in consequence of that tongue of yours; everybody that knows you, knows that yours is no slander; but never mind, you'll meet with a stranger, some of these short days, and that will be like a snag to your By this time our yawl had received old boat." Kentuck, and I saw the black boy deposit the traveller's trunk in it, while that individual deposited a piece of silver in his hand, which glit-

ered like the ivory the darkey exhibited on the "Take care of yourself, Pomp, and mind

what I told you.' "Yes, Master Samson, you 'pend 'pon me there's no mistake in this nigger."
"That's a tall man," I said to the captain, as Old Kentuck sprang upon the deck, rifle in

"Tall," rejoined the captain; " well, he's tal in a good many ways; he's what we call a case.' He's a pilot going down to New Orleans to bring the Emperor up, as he wrote me. I've been expecting to find him somewhere

long shore here." Soon the Kentuckian was up stairs, shaking the captain by the hand in the most cordia manner. Old Kentuck was certainly a character. He wore a pair of pants, with enormous stripes in them; a most preposterous pat fashion, while around his neck he had a cross-barred neckcloth of black and red, tied in a curious kind of knot, in which he seemed to pride himself. A loose frock-coat, brown, and with a brown velvet collar thrown back, covered his body, while his head was adorned with a huge foxskin cap, with the tail of Reynard fan tastically curled about it. But the face of th stranger was certainly attractive. Across the broad Atlantic of his countenance," as some one said of Charles James Fox, there played continued sunshine of cheerfulness and good nature; at the same time that his clear blue eye and the occasional compression of his well-de fined lips, showed a nature that might be waked

up to desperate deeds. Samson, does that Pomp belong to you?" "Yes, sir-ee-why?"

"I want a hand." "Well, you can take him, and give me what's right-ha! ha! Capting, do you know Pomp's ather, old Dave?'

"Well, the old rascal has turned Mormon; he sees sights and has visions, and talks about an other book of Mormon. He's great on fore knowledge. The other day Dave comes to me with the most awful face you ever saw a nigger carry, and said he wished to spake to me apart Apart I went with him, and after glancing around fearfully and with an ominous look, he said: 'Master, I'se got something of highest consekence to tell you.' 'What's that, Dave?' Why, master, you don't believe in the book of Mormon and visions, but my duty to you is nevertheless my duty.' 'That's good, Dave,' replied; 'there's Christianity in that!' 'Master 'That's good, Dave,' there's Mormon in it, and the truth is, I've had dream now for the third night in secessionand being, as you always have been, a good master to me, and kind, I thought I ought to tell you that, according to them three dreams, dreamed three nights in secession, I shall die next Sunday night, and see Joe Smith to a 'Well, Dave,' says I, 'I am very certainty.' much obliged to you—seeing that your end's so near, it's a gratification for me to know that I have been a good master to you-a great gratification, as you are near your end; and being, Dave, as, you know, you cost me six hundred dollars, and I can't afford to lose you, as it is agoing to please the Lord to take you on Sunwhat those rascals mean.

day, I shall, the Lord willing, put you in my pocket in the shape of seven hundred dollars next Saturday. Old Bowler will give that for you, for he told me so—and though he is a hard master, you can escape him, at least for one day, especially as he belongs to church, and never flogs on Sunday, and you'll have your clearance that night.'"
"Whew," ejaculated the captain, "ha! ha!

"Yes-I come it, didn't I? Dave called on me the next morning early—he had been watching to see me come out, thinking that I might ing to see me come out thinking that I might slip over the back way to Bowler's, and told me that he had had seven dreams that verynight, assuring him that he should live a very long time, and that it was very wrong any way to believe in dreams. Pomp said his daddy was a fool; the old man overheard it and licked him for it-so Pomp was the fool after all. What's the news, captain—anything up stream?"
"Nothing," replied the captain.

"No. Did you see the Shelby?"
"Yes, she's just below here in the bend, getting her shaft mended."
"I'll pass her, then," said the captain; and

he proceeded below. Soon the accelerated speed of our boat showed that the captain had ordered a press of steam, and we were dashing gallantly through the beautiful Ohio, while the heavy waves on either side of us ran rippling to the shore. In the bend, sure enough, we soon discovered the Shelby, on board of which boat it was evident our appearance created some commotion. It appears that she had just finished the repair of

we drew in sight.
"Ha, ha," said Old Kentuck, leaning on hi rifle, which was as long as he was tall, "she

her shaft, and was about leaving the shore as

"Don't know," said the captain quickly.

"They've made big bets on her up at Pittsburg, and I can't stand everything. I say,
Samson, I am opposed to racing, but I can't stand everything."
"Sometimes I won't stand anything," replied Samson.

"Is the Shelby a fast boat?" I asked of the Kentuckian; "I hope we shan't have racing."
"Racing! why, don't you like excitement,
stranger—what's life without excitement?" replied Old Kentuck; "a mud-puddle to Niagara. I tell you, stranger, in dull times, and when a man don't choose to take liquor, and sometimes I don't choose, I go and sleep over the boiler,

"Do you? That's a tall rifle," I said. "Tall—it's just as tall as I am. You've nearn tell of Capting Scott, who was such a tall shot that the coon came down as soon as he saw him and give in, haven't you?" "I have," replied I, laughing.
"Well, this is the rifle that did it; Capting

ov way of excitement."

talk with a coon, but I do say that this rifle can talk to them, and that I can bring one down from just as big a distance as he can.' I took the Kentuckian's rifle in my hand, and after feeling the weight of it, handed it back to

him.

"Love me, love my dog," said he—"ha! ha!
I had a hearty laugh to myself the other day. Them Frenchmen, you don't think they are civilized, stranger, do you?"

"Civilized—why, they think themselves the

most civilized nation in the world."
"Well, they're mistaken, that's all—it's con founded easy for a man or men to get mistaken n themselves. I was reading the other day how some Frenchmen tried to blow Napoleon up with what they called an 'infernal ma chine.' Bah! it's the most foolish contrivance I ever heard of; it put me in mind of the Irish man now, who went to spear a fish with a scythe, and cut his own head off. Ha, but let hem put me anywhere in a fifth or tenth story, just where I can see his majesty's nose as he goes by in his carriage; I don't care if fifty horses are going it at a leap, and he behind them—it ain't as fast as a bird on the wing, is it? or worse than a squirrel on the top of tree? Well, just let him show his nose, and I'd put a bullet between the peepers of the Lord's

anointed, certainly." "Yes, I expect you could." "And no mistake. No, sir; because French men teach dancing you call them civilized. Why, stranger, I've been among various folks, and the Indians dance more than the French do. Firearms is the invention of civilization,

'Yes, I understand so." "Well, the rifle is the best kind of firearmsit's the highest point of civilization, I maintain Ha! there she comes; this boat can't stand it with the Shelby." By this time all was excitement on board the Fort Adams. The Shelby was a larger and faster boat, and she was press ing us hard. I could hear the barkeeper call ing out to the steward for more ice; and, as I glanced towards the bar, I discovered a crowd f persons in excited talk, drinking; among them was the captain.

As we entered the cabin to go forward and scend to the huurricane deck that way, a num ber of ladies rushed from their cabin towards us, exclaiming-"Gentlemen, they are racing; they'll blow us all up, gentlemen.

Kentuck, "and see how matter look."

ost on the Moselle."

"Ladies, don't be frightened," said Old Ken uck, in a manner of exceeding courtesy, at the same time taking off his fox-skin. "Oh! sir," exclaimed a beautiful, delicate looking lady to him, in an agony of terror, don't let them race; I had a brother and sister

frightened," rejoined the Kentuckian; and shaking her hand, he proceeded to the hurri The Shelby was "barking" after us like : blood-hound from the slip. There was quite an expanse of water in this place; but, as I earned from the Kentuckian, who was an old oilot, and acquainted with every foot of the iver, the channel here was very devious and

langerous. The captain came to the Kentuck an's side, with a flushed cheek, and asked, "What do you think of it, Samson?" "If I had the strength of my namesake," re olied the Kentuckian, "I'd swim out and chuck that boat, cargo, passengers and all ashore; as it is, she is too fast for us, and I always knew it. I told you Bob Albert, the pilot there has been on a bust for this week past; they sent their yawl ashore when they saw me this morning, wanting to learn something about another pilot. Beattie's sick, and I saw then Albert was tight; he swore you should not beat them they blew everything up. I tell you, capting it's my opinion they'll be into us; the channe is too narrow here for them to pass us; and they're got such a head of steam on, and the are so much bigger than we are, that if the

come agin us we are gone."
"Kentuck," called out Rogers from the wheel-house, "just step here a moment. You know the channel better than I do. I wonder

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The meaning seamed to be, to my eye, a resolve to run us down; the smoke ascended black and sulphury from her chimneys, with occasional flashes of volcanic fire, that showed he had all the steam on possible. He gained on us evidently, while the excited crowd on her hurricane deck and guards repeatedly hur-rawed, as, by the orders of the mate, they stepped to the centre of the boat, to keep her righted.

The noise they made, and their evident approach, with the fearful trembling of our boat, or we had all steam on, too, so alarmed the ladies, that, following impulse, rather than reason, for they would have been safest perhaps in the cabin, they hurried on to the hurricane deck; and the one that I have before spoken of rushed to Samson, who was at the wheel, and

rushed to Samson, who was at the wheel, and begged him not to race any more.

"Kentuck," said Rogers, "they'll be into us. It's my opinion they mean to run us down; they must be all drunk there."

"Pretty much so," replied the Kentuckian; "Bh Albert was in for it arly this morning; he's the only pilot on board; that is, Beattie is down with a fever mighty low. Bob hates your capting here, and when he's tight he's perfectly craze."

erazy."

"We shall all be lost—we shall all be lost,"
exclaimed the young lady; "O! Mr. Old Kentucky, save us."

"Old Kenttucky will do that, my dear young lady, if he has to shoot the rascal at the wheel; they're bent on running us down-self-preser-vation is the first law of nature; if two men are grappling for the same plank at sea which will hold but one, each has the right to push the other off, if he can—that's law, I'm told, though I never thought it was exactly fair, especially if the veaker man had got the plank first. However, if these fellows run into us it will be a clear case of murder; and they are hardly six lengths off. Hang it, these boats bark so that you can hardly hear yourself talk. Halloo, there, what are you after? Look out! Here, Rogers, you take the wheel a moment, and hand me my rifle;

you see it's necessity."
"Don't kil! him," exclaimed Rogers, nevertheless complying with his request.

"Kill him! no, but I'll just break that right

arm of his between the wrist and elbow, the first time he shows it fairly."

So saying, the Kentuckian deliberately lifted his rifle to his shoulder. We all felt our danger too much to interfere, or even to say a word. In a moment more the sharp report of the rifle was heard; all eyes were fixed upon the pilot of the Shelby. In an instant his arm fell lifeless to his side, and the Shelby, uncontrolled, rushed on to a shallow bar just beside her, and in another moment was fast aground.

"A pleasant journey to you; remember me to

So spoke a young man in our hearing to a friend who was about to visit his native town. Scott wouldn't have been anything without the rifle, would he? I don't say I ever had a As he turned away, we could perceive the workings of the remembrance of home, and the enjoyments of early life, rising up in his memory, and in rapid and brilliant panorama, passing before his recollection. "Home!" Were the parents there, with whose images were entwined the earliest, fondest memories? Did they not rise up before him with their silver locks waving in the wind as he saw them watching his last departure? That sister—the earliest playmate friend of his boyhood—was not her bright but tearful face before him, like a rose washed in dew? "Home!" How swift the mind flew from the dusty, noisy, busy streets, back to the shadowing trees of the old homestead—to the clear brook bubbling through the green mead-ows-to the lowing of the distant cows in the sunny morning as they moved lazily along to their pasture on the hill side—to the twittering of the martins in the box which he had made himself for them by his chamber window-to all those images of a country home which he had relinquished in all its health and invigora-tion, for the contact of the fevery city, the lifestruggle which can only be terminated by the "Remember me to those at home!" e think then of that blushing face, and that sweet voice, pouring forth that gush of rich music, in the little gallery of the humble church? or of those moonlight walks in the silver streamlet when young love first beat in his breast? was she included in this memory of

blessedness? Young man! Cherish these memories, if you would escape the contaminations around you. Let the feeling-" remember me to those at home!" come into your heart, when tempted to join the drunken orgies of the midnight revel. Let your conduct be so blameless and so useful that you can never feel your cheek tingle with the shame that would prevent you from saying, remember me to those at home!"

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"Provisions of the Constitution," said Mrs. Partington, with an earnest air and tone, for my part I should be glad to see 'em. Heaven and all of us knows provisions is scarce "Come, let's go on the hurricane deck," said enough and dear enough, and if they can turn the Constitution to so good a use I'm glad of it. Anything that will have a tenderness to cheapen the necessities of life"-and here she aid her finger on the cover of her box and looked earnestly at a cracked sugar-bowl in the "buffet" in the corner, containing the onion seeds and the bone buttons and the scarlet beans and the pieces of twine long gathered from accumulative paper tea-bags—"I am agreeable to it, and if they can turn the Constitution and all the ships-of-war to carrying provisions, I am shore they will do more good han they do now a good many of 'em." here ran down like an eight-day clock, and she smiled as Ike rushed in with his arms full of "Don't be frightened, my good lady, don't be votes, and his face full of fun and molasses candy, and asked her if he shouldn't give her a "tig whicket."-Boston Post.

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Sorrows of Werther. Worther had a love for Charlotte. Such as words could never utter, Would you know how first he met her?

She was cutting bread and butter.

Charlotte was a married lady, And a moral man was Werther,
And for all the wealth of Indies
Would do nothing that might hurt her. So she sighed and pined and ogled.

And his passion boiled and bubbled; Till he blew his silly brains out, And no more was by them troubled. Charlotte, having seen his body

Borne before her on a shutter; Like a well conducted person Went on cutting bread and butter. W. M. THACKERAY